

FORD JESS B  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC  
[FELE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/14/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senior Vice President

FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO  
INC, 400 EAST SPRING ST

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BLUFFTON, IN 46714

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	Amount or Price				
Common stock	02/14/2005		M		7,000	A	\$ 16.125	7,000	D	
Common Stock	02/14/2005		M		6,000	A	\$ 19.6375	13,000	D	
Common Stock	02/14/2005		S		13,000	D	\$ 40.7009	0	D	
Common Stock								1,474	I	401 (k) <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock								3,345	I	ESOP <sup>(2)</sup>

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option	\$ 16.125	02/14/2005		M	7,000	<sup>(3)</sup> 07/28/2010	Common Stock	23,000
Option	\$ 19.6375	02/14/2005		M	6,000	<sup>(3)</sup> 12/13/2011	Common Stock	18,000
Option	\$ 29.95					<sup>(3)</sup> 02/12/2014	Common Stock	16,000
Option	\$ 40.93					<sup>(4)</sup> 02/10/2015	Common Stock	4,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FORD JESS B FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC 400 EAST SPRING ST BLUFFTON, IN 46714			Senior Vice President	

## Signatures

Gregg C. Sengstack, Power of Attorney for Jess B. Ford  
02/15/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Holdings within the Franklin Electric Directed Investment Salary Plan ("401k Plan") Trust. The information reported herein is based on a plan statement reporting December 31, 2004 holdings under the 401k Plan.
- (2) Allocation of shares under the Franklin Electric Co., Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("ESOP") Trust. The information reported herein was provided by the trustee for holdings as of December 31, 2004.
- (3) The options become exercisable in five equal installments of 1/5 each year, beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (4) The options become exercisable in four equal installments of 1/4 each year, beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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